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PATENT APPLICATION

IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

In re the Application of

Arthur Laurence ROWE Group Art Unit: 3746

Application No.: 10/766,009 Examiner: L. CASAREGOLA

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For: STALL DETECTION AND RECOVERY SYSTEM

RESPONSE TO RESTRICTION REQUIREMENT

Commissioner for Patents P.O. Box 1450 Alexandria, VA 22313-1450

Sir:

In reply to the January 12 Restriction Requirement, Applicant provisionally elects Group I, claims 1-14, 33-46 and 65 drawn to a gas turbine stall detection and recovery apparatus and/or method (combination), with traverse.

Because of the Group elected, there is no need to amend any of the identified claims as none of the identified claims is elected. Thus, any amendments will be made in reply to a first action on the merits.

It is also respectfully submitted that the subject matter of all claims 1-65 is sufficiently related that a thorough search for the subject matter of any one Group of claims would encompass a search for the subject matter of the remaining claims. Thus, it is respectfully submitted that the search and examination of the entire application could be made without serious burden. See MPEP §803 in which it is stated that "if the search and examination of an entire application can be made without serious burden, the examiner <u>must</u> examine it on the merits, even though it includes claims to independent or distinct inventions" (emphasis

added). It is respectfully submitted that this policy should apply in the present application in order to avoid unnecessary delay and expense to Applicant and duplicative examination by the Patent Office.

Thus, withdrawal of the Restriction Requirement is respectfully requested.

Respectfully submitted,

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